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Sir:

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- (X) Statement of Relevancy Under 37 CFR §1.98(A)(3) in one (1) page.
- (X) Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-form 1449 with twenty (20) references.
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY UNDER 37 CFR § 1.98(A)(3)

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Dear Sir:

The undersigned believes that the watercraft disclosed in Reference No. \_\_\_ on Form PTO-1449 filed with the IDS filed herewith, identified as "Parts Catalogue, Model Year 1999, XL 1200LTD," was first displayed in the United States as early as October 29, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,

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